

in the Republic of Cyprus, or the fact that both Greek and Turkish Cypriot communities have been working to tackle this problem together since 2008, under a Technical Committee established jointly by the leaders of the two communities.

Turkey, a friend of the United States and a NATO ally, has been supportive of the current discussions within the global community and between the two Cypriot leaders. The continuation of these efforts should be encouraged.

Passage of H. Res. 1631 at this time could provoke a highly negative reaction and completely sidetrack the ongoing reunification process. Instead of a one-sided resolution, this House should commend and endorse the steps taken by both parties to resolve their longstanding dispute and settle their differences together.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION
OF H.R. 5566 AND THE SENATE
AMENDMENT THERETO

SPEECH OF

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 15, 2010

Mr. GALLEGLY. Madam Speaker, I strongly support H.R. 5566, which would stop the sale of animal crush videos.

Nearly everyone agrees that Congress must stop the creation and distribution of animal crush videos, which graphically depict the abuse and killing of animals. In 1999, legislation I introduced to prohibit crush videos was signed into law by President Bill Clinton. This bill effectively shut down the crush video industry. Unfortunately, after the Supreme Court ruling that struck down this law as too broad, however, crush videos came back on the market.

H.R. 5566 passed the House July 20, 2010, by a 416–3 vote. The Senate passed a slightly modified version in September by unanimous consent. But instead of passing the Senate version, the House passed a resolution agreeing to the Senate version but with an amendment.

The House amendment would strip language that makes it a federal crime, punishable by up to seven years in jail, to attempt or conspire to create or distribute a crush video. Under current statute, it is already a federal crime to conspire to violate any federal criminal law, with punishment up to five years in jail.

Given the few remaining days left in this session of Congress, I am concerned that after the House passes this legislation, the Senate will not consider this bill once again and crush videos will continue to proliferate.

I look forward to working with my friends on both sides of the aisle to enact a new law to ban crush videos as soon as possible.

DAVE NIEHAUS: FEBRUARY 19,
1935–NOVEMBER 10, 2010

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today somberly, recognizing a larger-than-life

entertainer and broadcaster in the Pacific Northwest who passed away on Wednesday, November 10. Dave Niehaus, the fantastic voice of the Seattle Mariners, will be remembered as a terrific husband, father, and grandfather, a loyal employee, and a broadcaster who left an indelible mark in Seattle and beyond.

It's a true honor to know Dave was a constituent of the 8th District of Washington, the District I represent. His wife Marilyn, along with many of Dave's family members and friends remain in the District. I offer my sincere condolences for their loss and thank them for allowing Dave to share his profound gifts with all of us. The public lost an astounding sportscaster on November 10, Madam Speaker, but his family lost a remarkable friend. I wish them all the best in the future.

After word of Dave's death reached the public, Madam Speaker, a Seattle sportswriter wrote this: "The pleasure of listening to him on a stormy day in April or one of those long, lush nights in July always has felt like an inalienable right of being a sports fan in Seattle . . . What a voice!" I can attest to the power of his voice. My family, friends, and staff can as well. We all welcomed him into our homes on summer evenings like a member of the family. The talent he possessed was both enviable and cherished, Madam Speaker. When the Seattle Mariners take the field on Opening Day next year, every individual on and off the field will be thinking of Dave.

The Seattle Mariners have played 5,385 games since they became a franchise in 1977. Dave Niehaus called 5,284 of those games, Madam Speaker. What a legacy! I doubt an organization anywhere can depend on an employee like the Mariners depended on Dave. And he didn't just show up, Madam Speaker. He defined his profession and he finally earned the ultimate recognition in 2008: Major League Baseball Hall of Fame's Ford C. Frick award, the highest honor a baseball broadcaster can achieve—an honor he richly deserved.

Madam Speaker, Dave is one of the finest sportscasters of all time, regardless of the sport. His Hall-of-Fame career will never be forgotten. Children in middle school right now will be telling their grandkids about listening to Dave on the radio—reminiscing on his classic voice and truly incredibly talents. His catches phrases will be immortalized and his unflinching optimism will never die. God bless his wonderful family and, Madam Speaker, I speak for millions of baseball fans when I say Dave will be greatly missed, thank you.

HONORING GERALD JENKINS

HON. STEVE AUSTRIA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Mr. AUSTRIA. Madam Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the people of Ohio's Seventh Congressional district to honor the life and memory of Specialist Gerald Jenkins.

Gerald Jenkins, of Circleville, Ohio, joined the U.S. Army at age 17. He served as a combat engineer assigned to the 1st Brigade Special Troop Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division in Fort Campbell, Ky. Most recently, Gerald served with his division on deployment in Afghanistan.

On October 20th, 2010, Gerald Jenkins died in the line of duty while his unit was on foot patrol in Maquan, Zhari district.

Gerald Jenkins, 19, was a young man dedicated to his friends, family and country. His family remembers him as always putting others first and for the pride he took in serving this nation. He excelled in his job and aspired to make a career in service in the Armed Forces.

During his service, Gerald was the recipient of many awards including the Army Achievement Medal; Army Commendation Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Army Service Ribbon and Combat Action Badge.

Gerald Jenkins will be remembered for his selflessness, his bravery and for his life of service to this country.

HONORING DR. DENNIS FISHER

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize the 2010 Missouri Superintendent of the Year, Dr. Dennis Fisher.

Dennis has served as the Superintendent of Park Hill School District since 2005. Under Dennis' leadership, Park Hill has become one of the most distinguished school districts in Missouri. The school district was the first in the state to receive the Missouri Quality Award and has continued to receive the Distinction in Performance Award each year from the state. Dennis has also provided leadership to numerous professional advisory committees, helping school districts throughout the state provide a higher quality of education to the leaders of tomorrow.

Dennis is respected by not only his staff and students, but also the parents and community. He is a leader in the community and plays an active role in the development and betterment of the area. Under his direction, the staff and students strive to the highest of character.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Dr. Dennis Fisher for his accomplishments and for his efforts put forth in serving the students of Park Hill School District.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF
TOM JELEPIS

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of my friend Tom Jelep, devoted family man and community leader. His dedicated service and civic contributions continue to make a positive difference throughout our community.

Mr. Jelep was born in Cleveland and raised in nearby Lakewood, Ohio. His parents, Joanne and Leonard, raised his siblings and him with a focus on family, faith and service to others, values that Mr. Jelep continues to carry with him today. He attended Cuyahoga